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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SEABOARD PARIS-AMSTERDAM SERVICE

1. SEABOARD WORLD AIRWAYS HAS BEEN OPERATING AN OCCASIONAL PARIS-AMSTERDAM LEG ON ITS TRANS-ATLANTIC ROUTES FOR SOME MONTHS. ACCORDING TO ITS FRENCH DIRECTOR MR. DE VAUBLANC, THIS HAS BEEN ON A BASIS OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZATIONS FROM THE DGAC. ON APRIL 26 SEABOARD FILED A SCHEDULE SHOWING THIS LEG ON A WEEKLY BASIS EFFECTIVE MAY 1. BY A MAY 26 LETTER, THE DGAC TURNED DOWN THE PARIS-AMSTERDAM SERVICE ON THE GROUNDS THAT AMSTERDAM WAS NOT INCLUDED AMONG THE POINTS ON THE AMERICAN ROUTE SCHEDULE. DGAC INDICATED IT WOULD PERMIT OCCASIONAL FLIGHTS ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. DE VAUBLANC, ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM SEABOARD NEW YORK, HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY INTERVENTION.

2. CIVIL AIR ATTACHE HAS INFORMED DE VAUBLANC THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO FIND IN THE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS ON FILE HERE ANY INDICATION THAT A U.S. CARRIER HAS A
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RIGHT TO OPERATE BETWEEN PARIS AND AMSTERDAM. WE INDICATED OUR WILLINGNESS, HOWEVER, TO APPROACH THE DGAC ON THE BASIS OF INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT. DE VAUBLANC INDICATED HE WOULD SO ADVISE NEW YORK.

3. COMMENT: IF DEPARTMENT BELIEVES SEABOARD HAS SUCH A RIGHT UNDER THE AGREEMENT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE

APPROPRIATE CITATION. IF THE RIGHT IS NOT EXPLICIT,
GIVEN THE PRESENT TESTINESS IN AVIATION RELATIONS BET-
WEEN THE U.S. AND FRANCE, WE ARE NOT CONFIDENT WE WILL
HAVE MUCH SUCCESS IN GETTING THE FRENCH TO APPROVE THE
SERVICE. UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES DEPARTMENT
SHOULD PROVIDE SUITABLE ARGUMENTATION FOR A REPE-
REPRESENTATION. HARTMAN

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